not taxed, while in others they are. Are there different rules for different Municipalities for the levy of tax?

**Rama Varmha Tampuran.**—Rules are the same for all the Municipalities.

## Chittur Municipality.

**227. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.**—Will the Government be pleased to place a copy of the final orders of the Government with regard to the election of the Chittur-Tattamangalam Municipality ;

(2) is there any proposal to nominate a non-official Chairman ?

**Rama Varmha Tampuran.**—(1) Extracts of the Diwan's Proceedings C. 88/1106, dated 15th April 1932 on the subject is appended. (*Appendix IV*).

(2) No.

**Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.**—Did they consider about the nomination of a non-official Chairman?

**Rama Varmha Tampuran.**—It is not quite sure how far such a proposal will be conducive to the efficient administration of the Municipality at the moment.

**Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.**—Was this also considered?

**Rama Varmha Tampuran.**—I don't think it was.

**Dr. A. R. Menon.**—Does the Government think that in the whole Taluk of Chittur there is not a fit non-official to preside over the Municipality?

**Rama Varmha Tampuran.**—Perhaps the difficulty is quite the other way. There are several factions. There are several leaders and consequently when once a Chairman is elected we get a good deal of difficulties in the day to day administration.

## Sub-Magistrate's confirmation.

**228. Mr. A. Eachara Menon.**—Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(a) who was the senior-most acting Sub-Magistrate when Mr. Parameswara Menon was confirmed.

(b) have there been any complaints from them ?

**Rama Varmha Tampuran.**—(a) Mr. Parameswara Menon.

(b) There were complaints from Mr. Subramania Ayyar the acting Magistrate at Chittur.

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## APPENDIX IV.

*(Vide Answer to Question No. 227.)*

**Extracts.**

"10. There remains for decision the question whether the Council should now be permitted to elect its own Chairman or whether a nominated Chairman should continue to preside over the Council. Government have given this question careful consideration and have come to the conclusion that it is undesirable to restore to the Council at present the right to elect its own Chairman. The inevitable result of doing so would in Government's opinion be a revival of party feeling in the Council to the detriment of the efficient and harmonious disposal of its business. Government are therefore pleased to direct that the Tahsildar of Chittur shall continue to be Chairman of the Municipality until further orders."

## APPENDIX V.

*(Vide Answer to Question No. 237)*

Joint report from the Diwan Peishkar and the Chief Medical and Sanitary Officer dated 8th June 1931 submitted to the Secretary to the Diwan, Development Department.

*Subject.*—Joint report on the K. A. Samajam, Cheruthuruthy.

*Reference*—Huzur Official Memorandum R. O. C. No. 2618/1106, dated 20th April 1931, Development Department.

We have the honour to report that we visited the Samajam Hospital and premises at Cheruthuruthy on 2nd June 1931 as previously arranged and to submit the following remarks on the points raised in the petition.

*Request No. 1.*—The grant of the bit of Poramboke land lying behind the salt outpost and Forest Tanab—The portion that can safely be given to the Samajam for their use has been pegmarked and orders may be issued for formally handing over the site to the Samajam on the same conditions as were fixed previously when granting the original site. Enclosed is the sketch of the poramboke site adjacent to the Cheruthuruthy Vaidyasala. The new sub-division No. 5 covering an extent of 23 cents is the one proposed to be given to the Vaidyasala. The Vaidyasala should provide compound walls alongside the southern and western boundaries.

*Request No. 3.*—We do not consider it necessary that a school should be started there at present, as facilities for running a school worth the name are not existing there. The financial condition also does not seem to permit the scheme being pushed through. Dearth of clinical material for imparting sound instruction will be the chief drawback in starting an educational institution wherein instructions on Ayurvedic methods of treatment could be imparted on any sound basis. Hence, we are of opinion that energy and money should not be wasted in this direction at present.

Regarding the acquisition of lands lying to the south of the hospital, we learn that acquisition of these will cost over Rs. 8,000. This portion was moved by the Samajam in previous years and we find that this scheme was dropped by the Government for want of funds. These lands when acquired can only be utilised for growing herbs. It is not known how far the Samajam is prepared to contribute towards this expenditure. What we were made to understand at the interview we had with the Managing Director, is that he wishes the Government to purchase the lands at Government cost and hand them over to the Samajam as a gift.

We leave it to the Government to decide whether it can now contribuet this large sum though the plot of land will be useful to the Samajam. The petition with enclosure is returned.

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